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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT: ADMINISTRATIVE-LOGISTICAL MATTERS

REF: STATE 214690

1. ENTRY-EXIT FORMALITIES: ENTRY VISAS NOT REQUIRED FOR U.S. CITIZENS VISITING OR ASSIGNED MOROCCO. WE ARE PRESENTLY MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR VIP COURTESIES AT AIRPORT IN HANDLING ENTRY REQUIREMENTS WHICH WILL ENTAIL OUR PASSPORT CONTROL OFFICER COLLECTING AND PROCESSING ALL ENTRY AND DEPARTURE

DOCUMENTATION FOR PASSENGERS. FORESEE ABSOLUTELY NO PROBLEMS THIS REGARD. CUSTOMS ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE ON SAME BASIS. MOROCCAN AUTHORITIES INVARIABLY VERY COOPERATIVE IN EXPEDITING OR WAIVING FORMALITIES FOR VIP VISITS.

2. CAR ASSIGNMENTS: THESE WILL BE MADE AS SOON AS WE HAVE HAD MEETING WITH PALACE PROTOCOL OFFICIALS AND KNOW WHAT THEIR WISHES ARE AND WHETHER, AS IS CUSTOMARY, THEY WILL PROVIDE ALL TRANSPORTATION FOR OFFICIAL MOTORCADE.

3. SPARE TIME ACTIVITIES: FOR THOSE NOT INVOLVED IN MEETINGS OR OTHER OFFICIAL DUTIES, CAN ARRANGE EITHER BRIEF TOUR OF CITY OR SWIMMING AT HILTON POOL. WILL NEED KNOW DESIRES OF PARTY IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ADVANCE FOR PLANNING TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS. HOPING THAT

PALACE WILL PROVIDE BUFFET LUNCHEON AT HILTON AS DURING LAST VISIT. OTHERWISE, IT WILL BE NECESSARY MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FEED PARTY AS STOP PRESENTLY SCHEDULED DURING LUNCH TIME. WILL ADVISE FURTHER ON THIS.

4. SPECIAL CONDITIONS: VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE ONE OR TWO DAYS PRECEEDING END OF RAMADAN, PERIOD OF DAILY FASTING WHICH IS QUITE STRICTLY OBSERVED HERE. HOWEVER, DO NOT BELIEVE THIS WILL SERIOUSLY AFFECT ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS OF VISIT AND CERTAINLY WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON SUBSTANTIVE PORTIONS.

5. LOCAL ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS: LOCAL CURRENT IS 120 VOLTS, 50 HERTZ.

6. LOCAL WEATHER DATA: AVERAGE SEASONAL HIGH AND LOW ARE 77 DEGREES F. AND 59 DEGREES F. LIGHT TO MEDIUM WEIGHT CLOTHING IS ADEQUATE.
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